

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicants:	<b>Freier et al.</b>	Confirmation No.:	<b>8250</b>
Serial No.:	<b>10/686,317</b>	Group Art Unit:	<b>1635</b>
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Title:	<b>METHODS OF OBTAINING ACTIVE ANTISENSE COMPOUNDS</b>		

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Dear Examiner Vivlemore:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

This is a reply to the Office Action mailed July 24, 2007 in connection with the above-identified patent application. The period for responding to the Office Action has been extended by enclosure of a 1 month petition for extension of time. Applicants respectfully request entry of the below amendments and reconsideration of the rejections in view of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 4.